

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 3622  
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 09812.0172-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Toru MINEYAMA et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3622
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Application No.: 09/973,512	)	Examiner: John W. Van Bramer
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Filed: October 9, 2001	)	Confirmation Number: 6341
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For: SERVER OPERATIONAL	)	
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the final Office Action mailed January 5, 2010, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose to amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.